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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Prior Application: T. MATSUO et al  
Serial No. 09/469,627  
Filed: December 22, 1999

Group Art Unit: 1754  
Examiner: E. Johnson  
For: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR TREATING  
RADIOACTIVE LIQUID WASTES CONTAINING  
SURFACE ACTIVE AGENTS

REQUEST FOR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231



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PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

December 28, 2001

Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/469,627, filed on December 22, 1999, entitled METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR TREATING RADIOACTIVE LIQUID WASTES CONTAINING SURFACE ACTIVE AGENTS, by all of the inventors named in the prior application.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the Declaration and Statement Under 37 CFR §1.68, DOE/NASA, as originally filed.

2. The Filing Fee is calculated below:

**CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION  
LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
PLUS ANY CLAIMS ADDED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Basic Fee									\$ 740.00
Total Claims	7	-	20	=	0	x	18	=	0.00
Independent Claims	1	-	3	=	0	x	84	=	0.00
Total Filing Fee									\$ 740.00

3. A check including the amount of \$740.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee.

4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

5. New drawings are enclosed, three (3) sheets, Figs. 1-4.

6. The power of attorney is set forth in the Declaration in the prior application or an associate power of attorney is hereby granted to:

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Please associate this application with Customer No. 24956.


7. The prior application is assigned to Hitachi, Ltd..

8. Priority of the following Japanese patent application is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119:

No. 10-372807, filed December 28, 1998.

The certified priority document has been filed in the prior application.

The undersigned hereby declares that no matter contained in the specification, including the claims, and drawings filed in the present divisional application would have been new matter in the prior application Serial No. 09/469,627, as originally filed on December 22, 1999.

  
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